

Sacred Heart Catholic Church and St. Mary's Catholic Church

PARISH BULLETIN

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Hall Rental: Please e-mail sacredhearhallrentals@live.com or call Marci Zimmerman, 925-487-8060.
Holtman Hall Contracts are posted on the church website, <https://catholic.irockne.com>

Baptism: Please contact Fr. Dariusz, Deacon Roger, Deacon Alvin or Deacon Kyle.

Marriage: A six-month notice is required. Please contact Fr. Dariusz, Deacon Roger, Deacon Alvin or Deacon Kyle.

Pastoral Council: Please e-mail pastoralcouncilshc@gmail.com

Pro-Life Coordinator: Linda Kutach, 512-560-7197 or lfeatshc@gmail.com

Para español/Spanish Coordinator (Veronica Barrera): 512-988-3062 or hispanic.coordinator@shcrockne.church

Ministry to the Sick: When a parishioner is hospitalized or homebound, please contact the rectory.

Confessions: Rockne and String Prairie: A half-hour before Mass on Friday, Saturday and Sunday or by appointment.

Rosary: Prayed 30 minutes before Mass.

December 14, 2025 – Third Sunday of Advent

MASSES: Monday 7:00 p.m. (Rockne) NO MASS
Tuesday 7:00 p.m. (Rockne) NO MASS
Wednesday 7:00 p.m. (String Prairie) Rudolph & Hettie Goertz, Donna Cook and Clayton Seidel –
by Anne Seidel and Family
Thursday 7:00 a.m. (Rockne) For the Parishioners
Friday 7:00 p.m. (Rockne) Alvin “Sonny” & Helen Frerich – by Family
7:30 p.m. (Rockne) Eucharistic adoration until 10:00 p.m.
Saturday 5:00 p.m. (Rockne) Albert, Dora, Larry and Dexter Friske – by Pat Friske
Sunday 8:00 a.m. (Rockne) Cecil & Eva Friske – by Mike & Dena Matocha
10:00 a.m. (String Prairie) Mitchell Tiner – by Rex Tiner Family
10:30 a.m. (Rockne-Spanish Mass)

There will be a second collection this weekend, December 13 and 14 for Retired Clergy and Religious.

Advent Penitential Service will be on Monday, December 15, 7:00 p.m., in Rockne, on Tuesday, December 16, at 7:00 p.m., in Elgin and on Thursday, December 18, 7:00 p.m., in Lockhart. (Fr. Dariusz)

St. Ann's members will be selling Clerical Endowment Fund gift cards at the Christmas program on December 13 and again after Mass on Sunday, December 14. We will have Christmas cards as well as the regular CEF cards. This is a great gift to give because both the individual who purchases the CEF and the recipient share in the spiritual favors of being remembered in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass monthly by the Bishop of Austin and the CEF Director and daily remembrance by diocesan seminarians and nuns. All proceeds go to providing tuition to help educate seminarians for the Austin Diocese. (Karen Tucker)

4th Degree Christmas Party will be on Sunday, December 14, at St. Paul Catholic Church in Smithville. Knights should wear Council Shirts. Rosary will be at 9:40 a.m., Mass at 10:00 a.m., followed by social and dinner in the Parish Hall. Please bring a gift for the raffle and bring a dessert (both are optional). Guests and widows are invited. (Phil Fredericks)

The Church decorating for Christmas will be Sunday, Dec. 14, at 1:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to help. (Damian Muehr)

Your response to the Bastrop County Emergency Food Pantry holiday food drive has been awesome! Thank you. The food drive will continue through December 14. The collection box will remain in the vestibule of the Church so that you can drop off donations at any time. To date our parish has donated over 1,250 pounds of food and cash to provide over 3,000 meals! God bless you for your generosity.

Christmas Caroling will be Friday night, December 19. Everyone is invited, especially CCE students. Come join in the fun of sharing the Christmas spirit around the community. Please meet in front of the Church no later than 5:50 p.m. to pool rides. For more information contact Janet Rathmann at 512-629-7744. (Janet Rathmann)

Sacred Heart is looking for a Communications Team! Core responsibilities include messaging and branding, digital communication, creating print and visual materials, event promotion, internal communication, and public relations. If you're proficient in verbal, written, and digital communication, and this sounds like something you'd be interested in, please call or text Kayla Bartsch Voigt at 512-629-3301. For more information pick up a flyer in the back of the Church. (Pastoral Council)

Many thanks to all who donated money to the Bastrop County foster children fund. St. Ann's Society collected \$1,881. This money will be used to purchase Christmas presents for the foster children. Your generous donations were very much appreciated.

We want to thank everyone for coming to "Our Young People's Concert" that showcased the special talents of the children in our community. We raised \$23,833 toward the renovation fund. (Marsha Ireland)

The family of AJ Goertz would like to express our sincere gratitude to everyone for your prayers, faith, hope, cards, food, visits, support, and kindness before and after his passing. A very special thanks to Fr. Howard, Deacon Alvin, Don Klaus, the Guitar group, St. Ann's, G&C printing, Melissa Voigt and Mark Meuth for your time and generosity. Thank you, and much love from Arthur Goertz and his family.

<u>Collection:</u> \$6,440.75	<u>Spanish Mass:</u> \$1,037.00	<u>Online Collection:</u> \$1,098.30	
Dec. 20	Rosary: St. Ann's Society	Dec. 21	Rosary: St. Ann's Society
	Lector: Francine Olguin		Lector: Leticia Grohman
	EM-Body: Linda Verver, Colleen Meuth (back)		EM-Body: Evelyn Brock
	EM-Blood: Ben Gutierrez		EM-Blood: Melanie Friske
	Statue: Shirley Wright		Statue: Phil & Rita Fredericks
	Greeters: Della Ott, Mary Gail Bartsch		Chalice: Alois & Sandra Goertz
			Greeters: David Tucker, Vincent Goertz

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Dec. 21

Rosary: Alan & Tina Seidel
Lector: Jody Pruitt
EM: Jody Pruitt, Rommy McDonald
Statue: Ron & Emily Hammons
Cleaning: Chris & Rommy McDonald, Team 8

<u>Collection:</u> \$2,273.00	<u>Statue:</u> \$750.00	<u>Online Collection:</u> \$1,580.00	<u>Online Other:</u> \$15.00
<u>Online Vocations:</u> \$10.00	<u>Online Building Fund:</u> \$25.00	<u>Online School Building:</u> \$50.00	